INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS

JUNE 30, 2007

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# Officials

<u>Name</u>	Title  Board of Education	Term Expires
(Befo	ore September, 2006 Election)	
James Wernimont Roger Sarchet Lyle Rossiter Greg Baskerville Julie Sexton	President Vice President	2007 2008 2006 2006 2007
(Afte	er September, 2006 Election)	
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# School Officials

Ronald Day Superintendent

Marcia Johnson District Secretary/

Treasurer

# **BRUCE D. FRINK**

# **Certified Public Accountant**

# Independent Auditor's Report

## Member:

- American Institute of Certified Public Accountants
- Iowa Society of Certified Public Accountants

### Services:

- Individual & Corporate Tax Preparation, Partnerships, Estate & Trust
- Year Round Tax Planning
- · Electronic Filing
- Payroll & Sales Tax Preparation
- · I.R.S. Representation
- · Monthly/Quarterly Write-Up
- · Data Processing Services
- · Payroll Preparation
- Computerized Financial Statements
- Business/Personal Financial Planning
- · Bank Loan Assistance
- Section 105 Medical Plan Administration

# Plus:

- Over 30 years of Expertise and Experience
- Evenings & Saturdays Available by Appointment
- Extended Hours During Tax Season

To the Board of Education of Newell-Fonda Community School District:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Newell-Fonda Community School District, Newell, Iowa, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of District officials. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Newell-Fonda Community School District as of June 30, 2007, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated March 10, 2008 on our consideration of Newell-Fonda Community School District's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be considered in assessing the results of our audit.

Management's Discussion and Analysis and budgetary comparison information on pages 4 through 13 and 31 through 32 are not required parts of the basic financial statements, but are supplementary information required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. We did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise Newell-Fonda Community School District's basic financial statements. We previously audited in accordance with the standards referred to in the second paragraph of this report, the financial statements for the three years ended June 30, 2006 (none of which are presented herein) and expressed unqualified opinions on those financial statements. Other supplementary information included in Schedules 1 through 6, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

BRUCE D. FRINK

Certified Public Accountant

Bruce D. Frish

March 10, 2008

# MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Newell-Fonda Community School District provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of its financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities is for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow.

# 2007 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- General Fund revenues increased from \$3,490,006 in fiscal year 2006 to \$3,564,222 in fiscal year 2007. Expenditures increased very slightly from \$3,681,011 in fiscal year 2006 to \$3,691,755 in fiscal year 2007.
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- Expenditures were held in check due in part to a slight reduction in staff, even though salaries and benefits increased by 4.5%. Maintenance costs decreased slightly while transportation costs increased slightly.
- The Management Fund revenues increased from \$78,164 in fiscal year 2006 to \$103,490 in fiscal year 2007. Management expenditures increased from \$76,603 in fiscal year 2006 to \$97,395 in fiscal year 2007. Once again an increase in property tax rates largely accounted for the increase in revenue, as well as an increase in dividend revenue. On the expenditures side, the increase was due to a significant increase in early retirement salaries and benefits in fiscal year 2007.
- Local Option Sales Tax revenues increased from \$286,543 in fiscal year 2006 to \$322,152 in fiscal year 2007. SILO expenditures increased dramatically from \$6,674 in fiscal year 2006 to \$64,779 in fiscal year 2007. A portion of the revenue increase was due to an increase in interest income in this fund as the cash balance increased. Expenditures increased as we used the SILO fund in fiscal year 2006 to pay for many expenses that were previously spent out of the PPEL fund. This was in contrast to fiscal year 2006 when SILO funds were only used for minor expenses.
- PPEL revenues increased from \$57,433 in fiscal year 2006 to \$112,003 in fiscal year 2007. Expenditures decreased from \$126,935 in fiscal year 2006 to \$48,110 in fiscal year 2007. The revenue increase is largely due to the sale of a school-owed house sold for \$46,748 in fiscal year 2007. Expenditures dropped dramatically due to two factors; many expenses that have previously been paid out of PPEL were paid out of SILO in fiscal year 2007, and a bus was purchased in fiscal year 2006 while no vehicle purchases were made in fiscal year 2007.
- The Nutrition Fund revenues were fairly steady, with revenues of \$189,736 in fiscal year 2006 to \$188,032 in fiscal year 2007. Expenditures also increased from \$177,134 in fiscal year 2006 to \$187,360 in fiscal year 2007, largely due to food service equipment repairs and the purchase of a new freezer, as well as increased salary and benefits costs.
- Activity Fund receipts decreased from \$192,173 in fiscal year 2006 to \$185,876 in fiscal year 2007. Expenditures also decreased from \$196,298 in fiscal year 2006 to \$175,596 in fiscal year 2007.

# USING THIS ANNUAL REPORT

The annual report consists of a series of financial statements and other information, as follows:

Management's Discussion and Analysis introduces the basic financial statements and provides an analytical overview of the District's financial activities.

The Government-wide Financial Statements consist of a Statement of Net Assets and a Statement of Activities. These provide information about the activities of Newell-Fonda Community School District as a whole and present on overall view of the District's finances.

The Fund Financial Statements tell how governmental services were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending. Fund financial statements report Newell-Fonda Community School District operations in more detail than the government-wide statements by providing information about the most significant funds. The remaining statements provide financial information about activities for which Newell-Fonda Community School District acts solely as an agent or custodian for the benefit of those outside of the District.

Notes to financial statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the basic financial statements.

Required Supplementary Information further explains and supports the financial statements with a comparison of the District's budget for the year.

Other Supplementary Information provides detailed information about the nonmajor governmental funds. In addition, the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards provides details of various programs benefiting the District.

Figure A-1 shows how the various parts of this annual report are arranged and relate to one another.

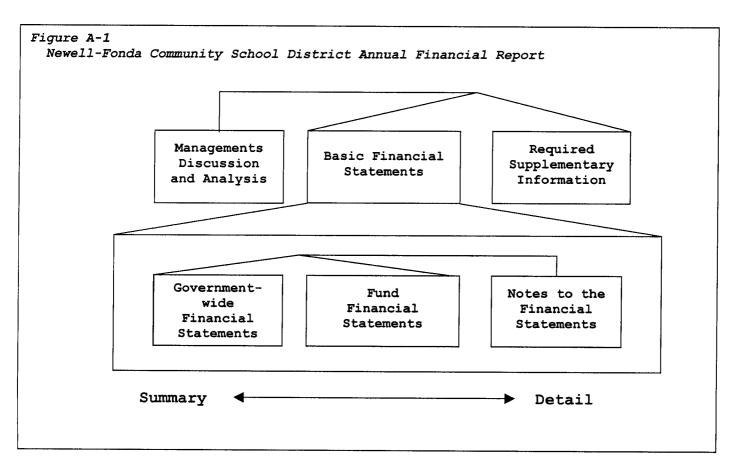


Figure A-2 summarizes the major features of the District's financial statements, including the portion of the District's activities they cover and the types of information they contain.

# Figure A-2 Major Features of the Government-wide and Fund Financial Statements

	Government-wide		Fund Financial Statemen	ts
	Statements	Governmental Funds	Proprietary Funds	Fiduciary Funds
Scope	Entire District (except fiduciary funds)	The activities of the District that are not proprietary or fiduciary, such as special education and building maintenance	Activities the District operates similar to private businesses; food services and adult education	Instances in which the district administers resources on behalf of someone else, such as scholarship programs
Required financial statements	<ul><li>Statement of net assets</li><li>Statement of activities</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Balance sheet</li> <li>Statement of revenues expenditures, and changes in fund balances</li> </ul>	• Statement of net assets • Statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets • Statement of cash flows	• Statement of fiduciary net assets • Statement of changes in fiduciary net assets
Accounting basis and measurement focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Modified accrual accounting and current financial resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus	Accrual accounting and economic resources focus
Type of asset/ liability information	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	Generally, assets expected to be used up and liabilities that come due during the year or soon thereafter; no capital assets or long-term liabilities included	All assets and liabilities, both financial and capital, short-term and long-term	All assets and liabilities, both short-term and long-term; funds do not currently contain capital assets, although they can
Type of inflow/outflow information	All revenues and expenses during year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	Revenues for which cash is received during or soon after the end of the year; expenditures when goods or services have been received and the related liability is due during the year or soon thereafter	All revenues and expenses during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid	All additions and deductions during the year, regardless of when cash is received or paid

# REPORTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

Government-wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements report information about the District as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The Statement of Net Assets includes all of the District's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the Statement of Activities, regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide financial statements report the District's net assets and how they have changed. Net assets - the difference between the District's assets and liabilities - is one way to measure the District's financial health or financial position. Over time, increases or decreases in the District's net assets are an indicator of whether financial position is improving or deteriorating, respectively. To assess the District's overall health, additional non-financial factors, such as changes in the District's property tax base and the condition of school buildings and other facilities, need to be considered.

In the government-wide financial statements, the District's activities are divided into two categories:

- Governmental activities: Most of the District's basic services are included here, such as regular and special education, transportation and administration. Property tax and state aid, finance most of these activities.
- Business type activities: The District charges fees to help cover the costs of certain services it provides. The District's school nutrition program is included here.

# Fund Financial Statements

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the District's funds, focusing on its most significant or "major" funds - not the District as a whole. Funds are accounting devices the District uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending on particular programs.

Some funds are required by state law and by bond covenants. The District establishes other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes, such as accounting for student activity funds, or to show that it is properly using certain revenues, such as federal grants.

The District has three kinds of funds:

1) Governmental funds: Most of the District's basic services are included in governmental funds, which generally focus on (1) how much cash and other financial assets can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed short-term view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near future to finance the District's programs.

The District's governmental funds include the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds and Capital Projects Fund.

The required financial statements for governmental funds include a balance sheet and a statement of revenues, expenditures and changes in fund balances.

2) Proprietary funds: Services for which the District charges a fee are generally reported in proprietary funds. Proprietary funds are reported in the same way as the government-wide statements. The District's Enterprise Funds, one type of proprietary fund, are the same as its business type activities but provide more detail and additional information, such as cash flows. The District currently has one Enterprise Fund, the School Nutrition Fund.

The required financial statements for proprietary funds include a statement of net assets, a statement of revenues, expenses and changes in fund net assets and a statement of cash flows.

- 3) Fiduciary funds: The District is the trustee, or fiduciary, for assets that belong to others. These funds include Private-Purpose Trusts.
  - Private-Purpose Trust Fund The District accounts for outside donations for scholarships for individual students in this fund.

The District is responsible for ensuring the assets reported in the fiduciary funds are used only for their intended purposes and by those to whom the assets belong. The District excludes these activities from the government-wide financial statements because it cannot use these assets to finance its operations.

Reconciliations between the government-wide financial statements and the fund financial statements follow the fund financial statements.

# GOVERNMENT-WIDE FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Figure A-3 below provides a summary of the District's net assets for the year ended June 30, 2007 compared to June 30, 2007.

Figure A-3
Condensed Statement of Net Assets
(Expressed in Thousands)

		(Expres	ssed in in	iousanas;			
Govern	mental	Busines	s type	Tot	al	Total	
Activ	ities	Activ	ities	Dist	rict	Change	
June	30,	June	30,	June	30,	June 30,	
2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2006-07	
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$		
3,230	2,828	59	61	3,289	2,889	13.85%	
377	401	4	2	381	403	-5.46%	
3,607	3,229	63	63	3,670	3,292	11.48%	
1,583	1,342	-	_	1,583	1,342	17.96%	
		<u> </u>	*			0.00%	
1,583	1,342			1,583	1,342	17.96%	
377	401	4	2	381	403	-5.46%	
1,212	934	_	_	1,212	934	29.76%	
435	552	59	61	494	613	- <u>19.41</u> %	
2,024	1,887	63	63	2,087	1,950	7.03%	
	3,230 377 3,607 1,583 -1,583 377 1,212 435	\$ \$ 3,230 2,828 377 401 3,607 3,229  1,583 1,342  1,583 1,342  377 401 1,212 934 435 552	Governmental Activities       Busines         Activities       Activities         June 30, June       2007         \$ \$ \$       \$         3,230 2,828 59       59         377 401 4       4         3,607 3,229 63       63         1,583 1,342 -       -         1,583 1,342 -       -         377 401 4       4         1,212 934 -       -         435 552 59	Governmental Activities       Business type         Activities       Activities         June 30,       June 30,         2007       2006       2007       2006         \$       \$       \$         3,230       2,828       59       61         377       401       4       2         3,607       3,229       63       63         1,583       1,342       -       -         -       -       -       -         1,583       1,342       -       -         377       401       4       2         1,212       934       -       -         435       552       59       61	Activities         Dist           June         30,         June         30,         June           2007         2006         2007         2006         2007           \$         \$         \$         \$         \$           3,230         2,828         59         61         3,289           377         401         4         2         381           3,607         3,229         63         63         3,670           1,583         1,342         -         -         -         -           1,583         1,342         -         -         1,583           377         401         4         2         381           1,212         934         -         -         1,212           435         552         59         61         494	Governmental Activities         Business type         Total           June 30,         June 30,         June 30,         June 30,           2007         2006         2007         2006         2007         2006           \$         \$         \$         \$         \$         \$         \$         \$           3,230         2,828         59         61         3,289         2,889         403           377         401         4         2         381         403           3,607         3,229         63         63         3,670         3,292           1,583         1,342         -         -         1,583         1,342           -         -         -         1,583         1,342           377         401         4         2         381         403           1,583         1,342         -         -         1,583         1,342	

The District's combined net assets increased 7%, or approximately \$137,000 from the prior year. This increase was due to increases in the Capital Projects and PPEL Funds.

Unrestricted net assets - the part of net assets that can be used to finance day-to-day operations without constraints established by debt covenants, enabling legislation or other legal requirements decreased by 19%. This decrease in unrestricted net assets was a result of inadequate allowable growth necessary to properly fund all programs.

Figure A-4 shows the changes in net assets for the year ended June 30, 2007 compared to the year ended June 30, 2007.

Figure A-4
Change in Net Assets
(Expressed in Thousands)

	Govern	mental	Busines	ss type	То	tal	Total
	Activ	ities	Activ	ities	Dist	rict	Change
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2006-07
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	8
Revenues:							
Program revenues:							
Charges for service and sales	86	67	100	100	186	167	11.38%
Operating grants, contributions							
and restricted interest	850	752	90	90	940	842	11.64%
General revenues:							
Property tax	1,336	1,157	-	_	1,336	1,157	15.47%
Local option sales tax	289	265	-	-	289	265	9.06%
Unrestricted state grants	1,632	1,751	_	-	1,632	1,751	-6.80%
Unrestricted investment							
earnings	27	27	_	_	27	27	0.00%
Other	68	85			68	85	- <u>20.00</u> %
Total revenues	4,288	4,104	190	190	4,478	4,294	4.29%
Program expenses:							
Governmental activities:							
Instruction	2,697	2,618	_	-	2,697	2,618	3.02%
Support Services	1,228	1,268	_	_	1,228	1,268	-3.15%
Non-instructional programs	_	-	177	177	177	177	0.00%
Other expenses	225	200		_	225	200	12.50%
Total expenses	4,150	4,086	177	177	4,327	4,263	1.50%
Change in net assets	138	18	13	13	151	31	487.10%

Property tax and unrestricted state grants account for 67% of the total revenue. The District's expenses primarily relate to instruction and support services which account for 91% of the total expenses.

## Governmental Activities

Revenues for governmental activities were \$4,287,742 and expenses were \$4,150,198.

The following table presents the total and net cost of the District's major governmental activities: instruction, support services and other expenses.

Figure A-5

Total and Net Cost of Governmental Activities

(Expressed in Thousands)

		(E	expressed in Thousands)			
	Total (		Net	Net Co		Net
	2007	2006	Change 2006-07	of Serv		Change
	2007	2006	2006-07	2007	2006 \$	2006-07
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Instruction	2,697	2,618	3.02%	2,025	1,998	1.35%
Support Services	1,228	1,268	-3.15%	1,151	1,221	-5.73%
Other expenses	225	200	12.50%	38	48	- <u>20.83</u> %
Totals	4,150	4,086	<u>1.57</u> % _	3,214	3,267	-1.62%

- The cost financed by users of the District's programs was \$86,207.
- Federal and state governments subsidized certain programs with grants and contributions totaling \$366,419.
- The net cost of governmental activities was financed with \$1,336,253 in property taxes and \$1,631,530 in unrestricted state grants.

# Business Type Activities

Revenues for School Nutrition were \$188,032 and expenses were \$187,360. Revenues of these activities were comprised of charges for service, federal and state reimbursements and investment income.

During the year ended June 30, 2007, the District held meal prices steady.

# INDIVIDUAL FUND ANALYSIS

As previously noted, Newell-Fonda Community School District uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

The financial performance of the District as a whole is reflected in its governmental funds, as well. As the District completed the year, its governmental funds reported a combined fund balance of \$2,024,810, an eight percent increase over last year's ending fund balances of \$1,887,266. Growth of over \$250,000 in the capital projects funds was primarily responsible for the increase.

# Governmental Fund Highlights

- General Fund revenues increased from \$3,490,006 in fiscal year 2006 to \$3,564,222 in fiscal year 2007. Expenditures increased very slightly from \$3,681,011 in fiscal year 2006 to \$3,691,755 in fiscal year 2007.
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# BUDGETARY HIGHLIGHTS

The District's receipts were \$291,287 higher than budgeted receipts, a variance of 7%. The most significant variance resulted from the District receiving more in miscellaneous revenues than anticipated.

Total expenditures were less than budgeted overall, due primarily to the District's budget for the General Fund. Expenditures did not exceed the amounts budgeted in any of the four functions.

# CAPITAL ASSETS ANDDEBT ADMINISTRATION

# Capital Assets

At June 30, 2007, the District had invested \$381,092, net of accumulated depreciation, in a broad range of capital assets, including land, buildings, athletic facilities, computers, audio-visual equipment and transportation equipment. (See Figure A-6) This represents a net decrease of 5% from last year. More detailed information about the District's capital assets is presented in Note 3 to the financial statements. Depreciation expense for the year was \$63,527.

The original cost of the District's capital assets was \$1,627,057. Governmental funds account for \$1,604,693, with the remainder of \$22,364 accounted for in the Proprietary, School Nutrition Fund.

Figure A-6
Condensed Statement of Net Assets
(Expressed in Thousands)

			(Empressed III Initiating)				
	Govern	mental	Busines	s type	Tot	al	Total
	Activ.	ities	Activ	ities	Dist	rict	Change
	June	30,	June	30,	June	30,	June 30,
	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2006-07
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Land	2	2	_	-	2	2	0.00%
Buildings	237	255	-	-	237	255	-7.06%
Furniture and equipment	138	144	4	2	142	146	- <u>2.74</u> %
Totals	377	401	4	2	381	403	- <u>5.46</u> %

## Long-Term Debt

The District has no long-term debt.

# ECONOMIC FACTORS BEARING ON THE DISTRICT'S FUTURE

At the time these financial statements were prepared and audited, the District was aware of existing circumstances that could significantly affect its financial health in the future:

- Due to steady enrollment in 2006-2007, the state funding should increase slightly in 2007-2008. However, the certified enrollment count taken on October 1, 2007 showed a decrease of 34.9 students, which will cause a decrease of approximately \$186,121 in revenue for the 2008-2009 school year. However, the District will take this into consideration during the 2008-2009 budget preparation process. Also, a significant decrease in FTEs (5) in 2007-2008 will save significant funds in the area of salaries and benefits. As we assess the needs for staff in 2008-2009, the declining enrollment will be taken into consideration and adjustments will be made accordingly. In 2007-2008 the District has combined the Superintendent and High School Principal positions into one, therefore reducing our administrative FTEs from 3.1 to 2.1 for fiscal year 2008. This change will result in a significant savings to the District.
- The SILO tax money will continue to come in and accumulate. A plan is being developed for this money in consideration of our building situations and vehicle purchases for the future.
- The trend seems to be for enrollment to continue to decline. This anticipated declining enrollment has caused the Board to continue to address sharing options. Talks are ongoing with the Regional High School group as well as Schaller-Crestland.

- The District is aware of increasing mandates for programs such as No Child Left Behind. This causes our staff to be increasing their reporting and accountability to standards, and this all costs money.
- Allowable growth of 4% is inadequate to meet normal increases in salaries and benefits. The District will see increased costs in IPERS due to rate increases. Reduction in Districts personnel will help counteract this partially.

# CONTACTING THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to demonstrate the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact Marcia Johnson, District Secretary/Treasurer, Newell-Fonda Community School District, 205 Clark Street, Newell, Iowa 50568.



# Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2007

	Governmental	Business Type	
	Activities	Activities	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	1,593,084	52,993	1,646,077
Receivables:			
Property tax:			
Current year	14,632	-	14,632
Succeeding year	1,489,832	_	1,489,832
Due from other governments	122,454	•	122,454
Other receivables		_	=
Accrued interest receivable	10,291	1,239	11,530
Inventories	-	5,130	5,130
Capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation	377,077	4,015	381,092
Total assets	3,607,370	63,377	3,670,747
Liabilities			
Accounts payable	43,798	-	43,798
Deferred revenue:			
Succeeding year property tax	1,489,832	-	1,489,832
Early retirement payable - current portion	48,930		48,930
Total liabilities	1,582,560	<del></del> -	1,582,560
Net assets			
Invested in capital assets	377,077	4,015	381,092
Restricted for:		,	•
Management levy	12,618	-	12,618
Physical plant and equipment levy	473,544	-	473,544
Capital projects	726,416	-	726,416
Unrestricted	435,155	59,362	494,517
Total net assets	2,024,810	63,377	2,088,187

Statement of Activities

		Progre	Program Revenues	Net and C	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Asse	renue Assets
			Operating Grants, Contributions			
	Expenses	Charges for Service	and Restricted Interest	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
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Functions/Programs						
Governmental activities:						
Instruction:	2,696,839	86,207	585,113	(2,025,519)	1	(2,025,519)
Support services:						
Student services	71,298	1	1	(71,298)	ı	(71 298)
Instructional staff services	115,845	ı	ı	(115,845)	•	(115.845)
Administration services	442,524	1	1	(442,524)	1	(442,524)
Operation and maintenance of				,		
plant services	338,531	ı	77,903	(260,628)	ı	(260,628)
Transportation services	260,339	ı		(260, 339)	ı	(260, 339)
	1,228,537	1	77,903	(1,150,634)	1	(1,150,634)
Other expenditures:						
AEA flowthrough	153,999	1	153,999	I	ľ	1
Facilities acquisition and construction	57,465	I	32,979	(24,486)	ı	(24,486)
Depreciation (unallocated)*	13,358	1	•	(13, 358)	1	(13,358)
	224,822	1	186,978	(37,844)	1	(37,844)
Total governmental activities	4,150,198	86,207	849,994	(3, 213, 997)	ı	(3,213,997)

Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2007

		Progra	Program Revenues	Net and Ch	Net (Expense) Revenue and Changes in Net Assets	ue sets
			Operating Grants, Contributions			
	Expenses	Charges for Service	and Restricted Interest	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
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Business type activities: Non-instructional programs: Proprietary funds	187,359	96, 683	91,348	1	672	672
Total	4,337,557	182,890	941,342	(3,213,997)	672	(3,213,325)
General revenues:						
Property tax levied for:						
General purposes				1,198,664	ı	1,198,664
Management				95,847	1	95,847
Capital outlay				41,742	4	41.742
Local option sales tax				289,173	I	289,173
Unrestricted state grants				1,631,530	1	1,631,530
Unrestricted investment earnings				26,931	ı	26,931
Other				67,654	i	67,654
Total general revenue				3,351,541	t	3,351,541
Change in net assets				137,544	672	138,216
Net assets beginning of year				1,887,266	62,705	1,949,971
Net assets end of year				2,024,810	63,377	2,088,187

<sup>\*</sup> This amount excludes the depreciation that is included in the direct expenses of the various programs.

See notes to financial statements.

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds

June 30, 2007

Assets	General \$	Capital Projects \$	Property Plant and Equipment Levy \$	Nonmajor Special Revenue	S
ASSECS					
Cash and pooled investments Receivables: Property tax:	319,857	652,762	462,796	157,669	1,593,084
Current year	13,136	_	457	1,039	14,632
Succeeding year	1,347,209	_	42,623	100,000	1,489,832
Due from other governments	48,800	73,654	,	-	122,454
Other receivables		-	_	_	, -
Accrued interest receivable		-	10,291		10,291
Total assets	1,729,002	726,416	516,167	258,708	3,230,293
Liabilities and Fund Balance					
Liabilities:					
Accounts payable Deferred revenue:	43,798	-	-	-	43,798
Succeeding year property tax	1,347,209	-	42,623	100,000	1,489,832
Total liabilities	1,391,007		42,623	100,000	1,533,630
Fund balances:					
Reserved for capital projects	-	726,416	-	-	726,416
Unreserved	337,995		473,544	158,708	970,247
Total fund balances	337,995	726,416	473,544	158,708	1,696,663
Total liabilities and fund balances	1,729,002	726,416	516,167	258,708	3,230,293

\$ 2,024,810

# NEWELL-FONDA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds to the Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2007

Total fund balances of governmental funds (Exhibit C)	\$ 1,696,663
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:	
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as assets in the governmental funds.	377,077
Long-term liabilities, including compensated absences and early retirement, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as liabilities in the governmental funds.	
Early retirement	(48,930)

Net assets of governmental activities (Exhibit A)

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

	General	Capital Projects	Property Plant and Equipment Levy	Nonmajor Special Revenue	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenues:					
Local sources					
Local tax	1,198,664	289,173	41,742	95,847	1,625,426
Tuition	77,647	. ~	-	_	77,647
Other	136,070	32,979	70,228	193,444	432,721
State sources	2,003,494	-	33	74	2,003,601
Federal sources	148,347				148,347
Total revenues	3,564,222	322,152	112,003	289,365	4,287,742
Expenditures:					
Current:					
Instruction	2,414,956	13,660	9,065	210,228	2,647,909
Support services:					
Student services	71,298	_	_	_	71,298
Instructional staff services	110,757	25,439	_	-	136,196
Administration services	423,210	-	_	19,314	442,524
Operation and maintenance of					
plant services	303,126	_	4,259	31,146	338,531
Transportation services	214,409	3,000	-	12,302	229,711
	1,122,800	28,439	4,259	62,762	1,218,260
Other expenditures:					
AEA flowthrough Facilities acquisition and	153,999	-	-	-	153,999
construction	<u> </u>	22,679	34,786	_	57,465
	153,999	22,679	34,786		211,464
Total expenditures	3,691,755	64,778	48,110	272,990	4,077,633
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(127,533)	257,374	63,893	16,375	210,109
Fund balances beginning of year	465,528	469,042	409,651	142,333	1,486,554
Fund balances end of year	337,995	726,416	473,544	158,708	1,696,663

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities

Year ended June 30, 2007

# Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (Exhibit E)

\$ 210,109

# Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Capital outlays to purchase or build capital assets are reported in governmental funds as expenditures. However, those costs are reported in the Statement of Net Assets and are allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense in the Statement of Activities. Capital outlay expenditures exceeded depreciation expense in the current year as follows:

Expenditures for capital assets Depreciation expense

\$ 39,099 (62,734)

(23,635)

Some expenses reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in the governmental funds.

Early retirement

(48,930)

Change in net assets of governmental activities (Exhibit B)

\$ 137,544

	School Nutrition \$
	<b>Y</b>
Operating revenue:	
Local sources:	
Charges for services	96,683
Operating expenses:	
Non-instructional programs:	
Food service operations:	
Salaries	82,999
Benefits	10,782
Services	4,078
Supplies	88,707
Depreciation	793
Total operating expenses	187,359
Operating (loss)	(90,676)
Non-operating revenues:	
Local sources	2,772
State sources	2,830
Federal sources	85,746
	91,348
Change in net assets	672
Net assets beginning of year	62,705
Net assets end of year	63,377

Statement of Cash Flows Proprietary Fund

Year ended June 30, 2007

	School _Nutrition
	\$
Cash flows from operating activities:	
Cash received from sale of services	96,683
Cash payments to employees for services	(93,781)
Cash payments to suppliers for goods or services	(81,071)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	(78,169)
Cash flows from non-capital financing activities:	
State grants received	2,830
Federal grants received	73,717
Net cash provided by non-capital financing activities	76,547
Cash flows from capital financing activities:	
Acquisition of fixed assets	(3,149)
Cash flows from investing activities:	
Interest on investments	2,772
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	(1,999)
Cash and cash equivalents beginning of year	54,992
Cash and cash equivalents end of year	52,993
Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to	
net cash used in operating activities:	
Operating (loss)	(90,676)
Adjustments to reconcile operating (loss) to	
net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:	
Depreciation Commodities used	793
(Increase) in inventory	12,029
(Increase) in inventory	(315)
	(78,169)
Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at year end to	
specific assets included on Combined Balance Sheet:	
Current assets:	
Cash	52,993

# Non-cash investing, capital and financing activities:

During the year ended June 30, 2007, the District received federal commodities valued at \$12,029.

See notes to financial statements.

# Statement of Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Funds

June 30, 2007

	Private
	Purpose
	Trust Funds
	\$
Assets	
Cash	384,254
Total assets	384,254
Net assets	
Reserved for scholarships	384,254

# Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets Fiduciary Funds

	Private
	Purpose
	Trust
	Scholarship
	\$
Additions:	
Local sources:	
Miscellaneous	12,736
Total additions	12,736
Deductions:	
Support services:	
Scholarships	7,489
Total deductions	7,489
Change in net assets	5,247
Net assets beginning of year	379,007
Net assets end of year	384,254

Notes to Financial Statements

June 30, 2007

# (1) Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Newell-Fonda Community School District is a political subdivision of the State of Iowa and operates public schools for children in grades kindergarten through twelve. Additionally, the District either operates or sponsors summer recreational activities. The geographic area served includes the Cities of Newell and Fonda, Iowa, and agricultural area in Buena Vista, Sac, Pocahontas and Calhoun Counties. The District is governed by a Board of Education whose members are elected on a non-partisan basis.

The District's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board.

# A. Reporting Entity

For financial reporting purposes, Newell-Fonda Community School District has included all funds, organizations, agencies, boards, commissions and authorities. The District has also considered all potential component units for which it is financially accountable and other organizations for which the nature and significance of their relationship with the District are such that exclusion would cause the District's financial statements to be misleading or incomplete. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has set forth criteria to be considered in determining financial accountability. These criteria include appointing a voting majority of an organization's governing body, and (1) the ability of the District to impose its will on that organization or (2) the potential for the organization to provide specific benefits to or impose specific financial burdens on the District. Newell-Fonda Community School District has no component units which meet the Governmental Accounting Standards Board criteria.

<u>Jointly Governed Organizations</u> - The District participates in a jointly governed organization that provides services to the District but does not meet the criteria of a joint venture since there is no ongoing financial interest or responsibility by the participating governments. The District is a member of the Buena Vista and Pocahontas Counties Assessor Conference Boards.

# B. Basis of Presentation

Government-wide Financial Statements - The Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the District. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by tax and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for service.

The Statement of Net Assets presents the District's nonfiduciary assets and liabilities, with the difference reported as net assets. Net assets are reported in three categories:

Invested in capital assets, net of related debt consists of capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by outstanding balances for bonds, notes and other debt that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.

Restricted net assets result when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unrestricted net assets consist of net assets not meeting the definition of the two preceding categories. Unrestricted net assets often have constraints on resources that are imposed by management which can be removed or modified.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function. Program revenues include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function and 2) grants, contributions and interest restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function. Property tax and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenues.

<u>Fund Financial Statements</u> - Separate financial statements are provided for governmental, proprietary and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements. All remaining governmental funds are aggregated and reported as other nonmajor governmental funds.

The District reports the following major governmental funds:

The General Fund is the general operating fund of the District. All general tax revenues and other receipts that are not allocated by law or contractual agreement to some other fund are accounted for in this fund. From the fund are paid the general operating expenditures, including instructional, support and other costs.

The Physical Plant and Equipment Levy is used to account for the purchase of equipment and the repairing, remodeling and construction of buildings and land improvements.

The Capital Projects Fund is used to account for all resources used in the acquisition and construction of capital facilities.

The District reports the following major proprietary fund:

The District's proprietary fund is the Enterprise, School Nutrition Fund. This fund is used to account for the food service operations of the District.

The District also reports fiduciary funds which focus on net assets and changes in net assets. the District's fiduciary funds include the following:

The Private Purpose Trust Fund is used to account for assets held by the District under trust agreements which require income earned to be used for scholarship awards.

# C. Measurement Focus and Basis of Accounting

The government-wide, proprietary and fiduciary fund financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property tax is recognized as revenue in the year for which it is levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been satisfied.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days after year end.

Property tax, intergovernmental revenues (shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments) and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the District.

Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, principal and interest on long-term debt, claims and judgments and compensated absences are recognized as expenditures only when payment is due. Capital asset acquisitions are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. Proceeds of general long-term debt and acquisitions under capital leases are reported as other financial sources.

Under terms of grant agreements, the District funds certain programs by a combination of specific cost-reimbursement grants and general revenues. Thus, when program expenses are incurred, there are both restricted and unrestricted net assets available to finance the program. It is the District's policy to first apply cost-reimbursement grant resources to such programs and then general revenues.

The proprietary fund of the District applies all applicable GASB pronouncements, as well as the following pronouncements issued on or before November 30, 1989, unless these pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements: Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee on Accounting Procedure.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenues and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenues and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenues of the District's Enterprise Fund is charges to customers for sales and services. Operating expenses for Enterprise Funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenues and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenues and expenses.

The District maintains its financial records on the cash basis. The financial statement of the District are prepared by making memorandum adjusting entries to the cash basis financial records.

# D. Assets, Liabilities and Fund Equity

The following accounting policies are followed in preparing the financial statements:

 $\underline{\text{Cash}}$ , Pooled Investments and  $\underline{\text{Cash}}$  Equivalents - The cash balances of most District funds are pooled and invested. Investments are stated at fair value except for non-negotiable certificates of deposit which are stated at cost.

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, all short-term cash investments that are highly liquid are considered to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and, at the day of purchase, have a maturity date no longer than three months.

 $\underline{\text{Property Tax Receivable}}$  - Property tax in governmental Funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting.

Property tax receivable is recognized in these funds on the levy or lien date, which is the date that the tax asking is certified by the Board of Education. Delinquent property tax receivable represents unpaid taxes for the current and prior years. The succeeding year property tax receivable represents taxes certified by the Board of Education to be collected in the next fiscal year for the purposes set out in the budget for the next fiscal year. By statute, the District is required to certify its budget in April of each year for the subsequent fiscal year. However, by statute, the tax asking the budget certification for the following fiscal year becomes effective on the first day of that year. Although the succeeding year property tax receivable has been recorded, the related revenue is deferred in both the government-wide and fund financial statements and will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Property tax revenue recognized in these funds become due and collectible in September and March of the fiscal year with a 1½% per month penalty for delinquent payments; is based on January 1, 2005 assessed property valuations; is for the tax accrual period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007 and reflects the tax asking contained in the budget certified to the County Board of Supervisors in April 2006.

 $\frac{\text{Due From Other Governments}}{\text{the State of Iowa, various shared revenues, grants and reimbursements from other governments.}}$ 

<u>Inventories</u> - Inventories are valued at cost using the first-in, first-out method for purchased items and government commodities. Inventories of proprietary funds are recorded as expenses when consumed rather than when purchased or received.

<u>Capital Assets</u> - Capital assets, which include property, furniture and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business type activities columns in the government-wide Statement of Net Assets. Capital assets are recorded at historical cost. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The costs of normal maintenance and repair that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Capital assets are defined by the District as assets with an initial, individual cost in excess of the following thresholds and estimated useful lives in excess of two years.

Asset Class	Amount
Land	\$ 1,000
Buildings	10,000
Improvements other than buildings	10,000
Furniture and equipment:	
School Nutrition Fund equipment	10,000
Other furniture and equipment	10,000

Capital assets are depreciated using the straight line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Asset Class	Estimated Useful Lives (In Years)
Buildings	50 years
Improvements other than buildings	20-50 years
Furniture and equipment	5-15 years

Deferred Revenue - Although certain revenues are measurable, they are not available. Available means collectible within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue in the governmental fund financial statements represent the amount of assets that have been recognized, but the related revenue has not been recognized since the assets are not collected within the current period or expected to be collected soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Deferred revenue consists of unspent grant proceeds as well as property tax receivables and other receivables not collected within sixty days after year end.

Deferred revenue on the Statement of Net Assets consists of succeeding year property tax receivable that will not be recognized as revenue until the year for which it is levied.

Compensated Absences - District employees accumulated a limited amount of earned but unused vacation for subsequent use or for payment upon termination, death or retirement. A liability is recorded when incurred in the government-wide financial statements. A liability for these amounts is reported in governmental fund financial statements only for employees that have resigned or retired. The compensated absences liability is deemed to be immaterial at June 30, 2007.

 $\overline{\text{Fund Equity}}$  - In the governmental fund financial statements, reservations of fund balance are reported for amounts that are not available for appropriation or legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose.

Restricted Net Assets - In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, net assets are reported as restricted when constraints placed on net asset use are either externally imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors or laws and regulations of other governments or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

# E. Budgeting and Budgetary Control

The budgetary comparison and related disclosures are reported as Required Supplementary Information. During the year ended June 30, 2007, expenditures did not exceed the amounts budgeted in any of the four functions.

# (2) Cash and Pooled Investments

The District's deposits in banks at June 30, 2007 were entirely covered by federal depository insurance or by the State Sinking Fund in accordance with Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa. This chapter provides for additional assessments against the depositories to insure there will be no loss of public funds.

The District is authorized by statute to invest public funds in obligations of the United States government, its agencies and instrumentalities; certificates of deposit or other evidences of deposit at federally insured depository institutions approved by the Board of Education; prime eligible bankers acceptances; certain high rated commercial paper; perfected repurchase agreements; certain registered open-end management investment companies; certain joint investment trusts; and warrants or improvement certificates of a drainage district.

The District had no investments at June 30, 2007.

# (3) Capital Assets

Capital assets activity for the year ended June 30, 2007 was as follows:

	Balance			Balance
	Beginning			End of
	of Year	Increases	Decreases	Year
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Governmental activities:				
Capital assets not being depreciated:				
Land	2,000	_		2,000
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Buildings	1,006,000	-	_	1,006,000
Furniture and Equipment	596,693	39,099	_	635,792
Total capital assets being depreciated	1,602,693	39,099	_	1,641,792
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Buildings	751,000	17,800	_	768,800
Furniture and Equipment	452,981	44,934		497,915
Total accumulated depreciation	1,203,981	62,734	_	1,266,715
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	398,712	(23, 635)		375,077
Governmental activities, capital assets, net	400,712	(23,635)	_	377,077

	Balance Beginning of Year	Increases	Decreases	Balance End of Year
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Business type activities:				
Furniture and equipment	22,364	3,149		25,513
Less accumulated depreciation	20,705	793		21,498
Business type activities capital assets, net	1,659	2,356		4,015
Depreciation expense was charged to the followi Governmental activities: Instructional support Transportation services Unallocated	ng functions:			5,088 44,288 13,358 62,734
Business type activities:				
Food service operations				793

# (4) Pension and Retirement Benefits

The District contributes to the Iowa Public Employees Retirement System (IPERS) which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the State of Iowa. IPERS provides retirement and death benefits which are established by State statute to plan members and beneficiaries. IPERS issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information. The report may be obtained by writing to IPERS, PO Box 9117, Des Moines, Iowa, 50306-9117.

Plan members are required to contribute 3.70% of their annual salary and the District is required to contribute 5.75% of annual payroll, for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006 and 2005. Contribution requirements are established by State statute. The District's contribution to IPERS for the years ended June 30, 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$136,407, \$134,687 and \$128,071 respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

# (5) Risk Management

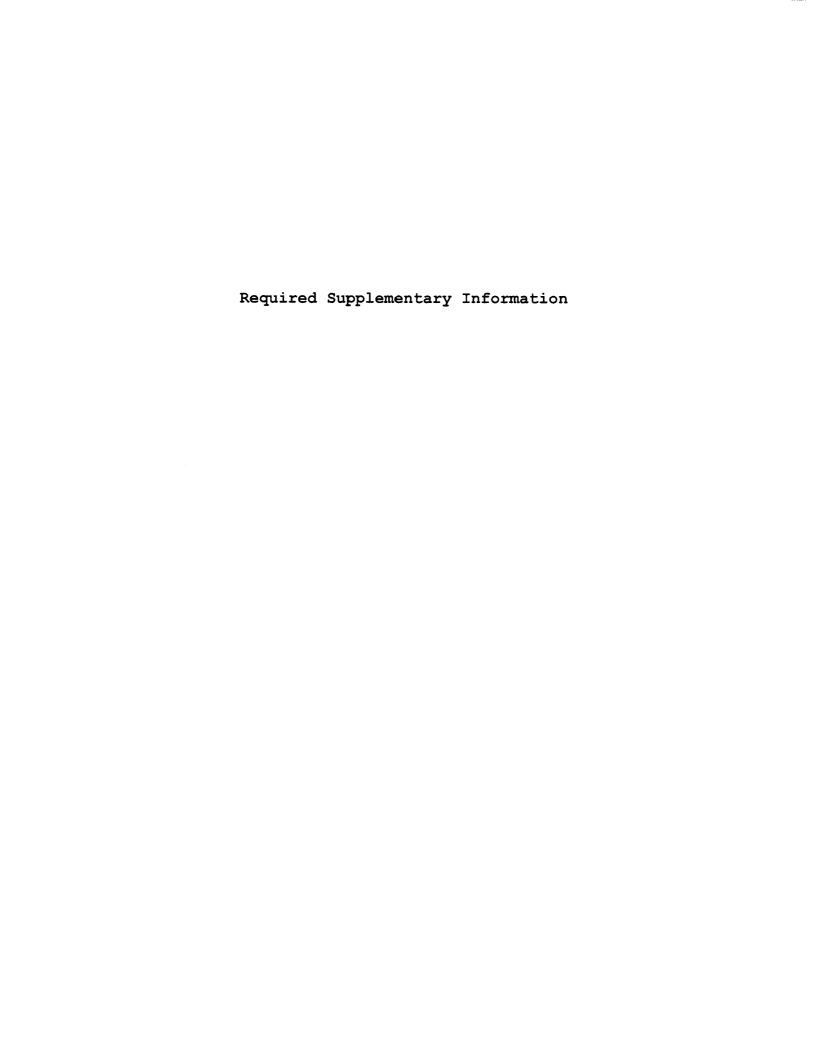
Newell-Fonda Community School District is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft; damage to and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. These risks are covered by the purchase of commercial insurance. The District assumes liability for any deductibles and claims in excess of coverage limitations. Settled claims from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years.

# (6) Area Education Agency

The District is required by the Code of Iowa to budget for its share of special education support, media and educational services provided through the area education agency. The District's actual amount for this purpose totaled \$153,999 for year ended June 30, 2007 and is recorded in the General Fund by making a memorandum adjusting entry to the cash basis financial statements.

# (7) Early Retirement

The District offers a voluntary early retirement plan to its certified employees. Eligible employees must be at least age fifty-nine and employees must have completed fifteen years of continuous service to the District. Employees must complete an application which is required to be approved by the Board of Education. The early retirement incentive is equal to the difference between the employee's base salary calculated by using the current year regular salary schedule less the beginning base salary using the same schedule. Early retirement benefits paid during the year ended June 30, 2007 totaled \$34,633.



Budgetary Comparison Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Balances -Budget and Actual - All Governmental Funds and Proprietary Fund

# Required Supplementary Information

Year ended June 30, 2007

	Governmental Fund Types	Proprietary Fund Type	Total	Budgeted Amounts	Amounts	Final to Actual
	Actual	Actual	Actual	Original	Final	Variance -
	V)-	<b>‹</b>	w	v,	v <sub>r</sub>	v,
Revenues:						
Local sources	2,135,794	99,455	2,235,249	1,976,444	1,976,444	258,805
State sources	2,003,601	2,830	2,006,431	2,008,042	2,008,042	(1,611)
Federal sources	148,347	85,746	234,093	200,000	200,000	34,093
Total revenues	4,287,742	188,031	4,475,773	4,184,486	4,184,486	291,287
Expenditures:						
Instruction	2,647,909	í	2,647,909	2,878,865	2,878,865	230.956
Support services	1,218,260	1	1,218,260	1,334,820	1,334,820	116,560
Non-instructional programs	ı	187,359	187,359	206,622	206,622	19,263
Other expenditures	211,464	•	211,464	237,022	237,022	25,558
Total expenditures	4,077,633	187,359	4,264,992	4,657,329	4,657,329	392,337
Excess (deficiency) of revenues	6					
over (under) expenditures	210,109	672	210,781	(472,843)	(472,843)	683,624
Other financing sources (uses)	1	1	1	40,000	40,000	1
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under)						
expenditures and other financing uses	210,109	672	210,781	(432,843)	(432,843)	683,624
Balance beginning of year	1,486,554	62,705	1,549,259	1,871,426	1,871,426	(322, 167)
Balance end of year	1,696,663	63,377	1,760,040	1,438,583	1,438,583	361,457

Notes to Required Supplementary Information - Budgetary Reporting

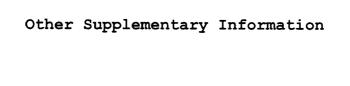
Year ended June 30, 2007

This budgetary comparison is presented as Required Supplementary Information in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standard Board Statement No. 41 for governments with significant budgetary perspective differences resulting from not being able to present budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and each major Special Revenue Fund.

In accordance with the Code of Iowa, the Board of Education annually adopts a budget following required public notice and hearing for all funds, except Private Purpose Trust and Agency Funds. The budget may be amended during the year utilizing similar statutorily prescribed procedures. The District's budget is prepared on a GAAP basis.

Formal and legal budgetary control for the certified budget is based upon four major classes of expenditures known as functions, not by fund or fund type. These four functions are instruction, support services, non-instructional programs and other expenditures. Although the budget document presents function expenditures or expenses by fund, the legal level of control is at the aggregated functional level, not by fund. The Code of Iowa also provides that District expenditures in the General Fund may not exceed the amount authorized by the school finance formula.

During the year ended June 30, 2007, expenditures did not exceed the amount budgeted in any of the four fuctions. The District did not exceed the General Fund unspent authorized budget.



Combining Balance Sheet Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds

June 30, 2007

	Management Levy	Student Activity	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Assets			
Cash and pooled investments	60,509	97,160	157,669
Property tax receivable:			
Current year	1,039	***	1,039
Succeeding year	100,000	-	100,000
Accrued interest receivable			
Total assets	161,548	97,160	258,708
Liabilities and Fund Balances			
Liabilities:			
Deferred revenue:			
Succeeding year property tax	100,000	-	100,000
Fund balance:			
Unreserved fund balances	61,548	97,160	158,708
Total liabilities and fund balances	161,548	97,160	258,708

Combining Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Nonmajor Special Revenue Funds

	Management Levy	Student Activity	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Revenues:			
Local sources:			
Local tax	95,847	_	95,847
Other	7,568	185,876	193,444
State sources	74		74
Total revenues	103,489	185,876	289,365
Expenditures:			
Instruction	34,633	175,595	210,228
Support services:		·	·
Administration services	19,314	_	19,314
Plant operation and maintenance	31,146	-	31,146
Student transportation	12,302	_	12,302
Total expenditures	97,395	175,595	272,990
Excess of revenues over expenditures	6,094	10,281	16,375
Fund balances beginning of year	55,454	86,879	142,333
Balance end of year	61,548	97,160	158,708

Schedule of Changes in Special Revenue Fund, Student Activity Accounts

	Balance Beginning			Balance End of
Account	<u>of Year</u>	Revenues	Expenditures	Year
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Boys Basketball	8,013	13,390	10,208	11,195
Football	-	16,516	15,587	929
Baseball	80	4,519	4,599	_
Co-ed Track	-	1,707	1,707	_
Co-ed Golf	_	1,083	1,083	
Girls Basketball	7,027	7,062	5,079	9,010
Volleyball	198	4,410	4,608	_
Softball	86	5,714	5,800	-
General Athletics	8,399	11,626	9,019	11,006
Cheerleaders	4,348	11,299	11,175	4,472
Drill Team	1,222	4,947	5,181	988
National Honor Society	· -	5,118	4,737	381
All School Play	2,163	1,123	1,144	2,142
Speech	343	1,354	376	1,321
Foreign Language Club	478	, 	- · · · · -	478
MS TA - Nielsen	5,456	2,056	4,668	2,844
Student Council	3,596	11,007	9,125	5,478
FCS	2,341	203	392	2,152
FFA	4,603	15,948	17,708	2,843
MS School Play	27		_	27
After Prom	224	3,805	3,804	225
Girls Basketball Fund Raiser	346	1,670	1,160	856
Boys Basketball Fund Raiser	-	1,896	1,611	285
Football Fund Raiser	1,121	15,093	14,920	1,294
Baseball Fund Raiser	4,079	6,094	4,911	5,262
Volleyball Fund Raiser	1,822	1,152	1,034	1,940
Softball Fund Raiser	4,291	8,253	6,767	5,777
Boys Track Fund Raiser	-	508	508	-
Girls Track Fund Raiser	_	978	966	12
Boys Golf Fund Raiser	_	792	764	28
Class of 2008	3,828	240	3,084	984
Class of 2009	3,499	10	-	3,509
Class of 2010	56	9,108	4,926	4,238
Class of 2007	982	1,509	2,218	273
Art	1,264	-,009	405	859
Shop	1,152	-	20	1,132
Elementary PTF Funds	4,343	1,324	1,679	3,988
State Basketball Tourney Expense	565	110	399	276
Library	412	1,003	999	416
Postage	97	1,005	-	97
General Activity	1,493	2,047	2,386	
Yearbook 06	4,215	520	4,735	1,154
Yearbook 07		10,144	6,103	4,041
Interest	4,710	538	0,103	5,248
	4,710		_	J,240
Totals	86,879	185,876	175,595	97,160

Combining Schedule of Fiduciary Net Assets

	Private Purpose Trust Funds		
	Cecil Rogers Scholarship	Don Anderson Trust	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Assets			
Cash	6,638	377,616	384,254
	6,638	377,616	384,254
Net Assets			
Reserved for scholarships	6,638	377,616	384,254
	6,638	377,616	384,254

Combining Schedule of Changes in Fiduciary Net Assets

Pr	iva	te	Purpose

	Trust Funds		
	Cecil Rogers Scholarship	Don AndersonTrust	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Additions:			
Local sources:			
Interest income	94	12,642	12,736
Deductions:			
Support services:			
Scholarships awarded	<u> </u>	7,489	7,489
Change in net assets	94	5,153	5,247
Net assets beginning of year	6,544	372,463	379,007
Net assets end of year	6,638	377,616	384,254

Schedule of Revenues by Source and Expenditures by Function All Governmental Funds

For the Last Four Years

	Modified Accrual Basis				
	2007	2006	2005 2004		
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Revenues:					
Local sources:					
Local tax	1,625,426	1,422,156	1,349,135	1,477,498	
Tuition	77,647	67,130	69,206	75,455	
Other	432,721	351,589	268,811	370,917	
State sources	2,003,601	2,113,281	1,654,735	1,600,299	
Federal sources	148,347	150,162	146,638	162,419	
Total	4,287,742	4,104,318	3,488,525	3,686,588	
Expenditures:					
Instruction	2,647,909	2,617,889	2,488,717	2,270,536	
Support services:		, .	, ,		
Student	71,298	71,057	71,142	90,776	
Instructional staff	136,196	118,446	102,411	124,862	
Administration	442,524	437,461	404,889	383,365	
Operation and maintenance of plant	338,531	382,039	388,787	416,362	
Transportation	229,711	275,661	268,411	181,539	
Other expenditures:					
Facilities acquisition	57,465	30,629	8,071	6,252	
AEA flowthrough	153,999	151,340	135,465	138,167	
Total	4,077,633	4,084,522	3,867,893	3,611,859	

# **BRUCE D. FRINK**

# **Certified Public Accountant**

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control
over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters

Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance
with Government Auditing Standards

To the Board of Education of Newell-Fonda Community School District:

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business type activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of Newell-Fonda Community School District as of and for the year ended June 30, 2007, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements listed in the table of contents, and have issued our report thereon dated March 10, 2008. We conducted our audit in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

# Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered Newell-Fonda Community School District's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the effectiveness of Newell-Fonda Community School District's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Newell-Fonda Community School District's internal control over financial reporting.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. However, as discussed below, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be significant deficiencies and other deficiencies we consider to be material weaknesses.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of the control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects Newell-Fonda Community School District's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood a misstatement of Newell-Fonda Community School District's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by Newell-Fonda Community School District' internal control. We consider the deficiencies in internal control described in Part I of the accompanying Schedule of Findings to be significant deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting.

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Our consideration of the internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in the internal control that might be significant deficiencies and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all significant deficiencies that are also considered to be material weaknesses. However, of the significant deficiencies described above, we believe item 07-I-A is a material weakness.

# Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Newell-Fonda Community School District's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, non-compliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards. However, we noted no instances of non-compliance or other matters that are described in Part II of the accompanying Schedule of Findings.

Comments involving statutory and other legal matters about the District's operations for the year ended June 30, 2007 are based exclusively on knowledge obtained from procedures performed during our audit of the financial statements of the District. Since our audit was based on tests and samples, not all transactions that might have had an impact on the comments were necessarily audited. The comments involving statutory and other legal matters are not intended to constitute legal interpretations of those statutes.

Newell-Fonda Community School District's responses to findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings. While we have expressed our conclusions on the District's responses, we did not audit Newell-Fonda Community School District's responses and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

This report, a public record by law, is intended solely for the information and use of the officials, employees and citizens of Newell-Fonda Community School District and other parties to whom Newell-Fonda Community School District may report, including federal awarding agencies and pass-through entities. This report is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

We would like to acknowledge the many courtesies and assistance extended to us by personnel of Newell-Fonda Community School District during the course of our audit. Should you have any questions concerning any of the above matters, we shall be pleased to discuss them with you at your convenience.

BRUCE D. FRINK

Certified Public Accountant

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March 10, 2008

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2007

# Part I: Findings Related to the General Purpose Financial Statements:

# INSTANCES OF NON-COMPLIANCE:

No matters were reported.

# REPORTABLE CONDITIONS:

# 07-I-A SEGREGATION OF DUTIES

Comment - During our review of the internal control structure, the existing procedures are evaluated in order to determine that incompatible duties, from a control standpoint, are not performed by the same employee. This segregation of duties helps to prevent losses from employee error or dishonesty and therefore maximizes the accuracy of the District's financial statements. We noted that one individual has custody of receipts and performs all record-keeping and reconciling functions for the office.

Recommendation - We realize that with a limited number of office employees, segregation of duties is difficult. However, the District should review the operating procedures of the office to obtain the maximum internal control possible under the circumstances.

Response - We will review procedures and investigate available alternatives.

Conclusion - Response acknowledged.

# Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting:

- 07-II-A Official Depositories Official depositories have been approved by the District.

  The maximum deposit amounts approved were not exceeded during the year ended June 30, 2007.
- O7-II-B Certified Budget Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2007, did not exceed the certified budget amounts in any of the four functions.
- 07-II-C Questionable Expenditures We noted no expenditures that may not meet the requirements of public purpose as defined in an Attorney General's opinion dated April 25, 1979.
- 07-II-D Travel Expense No expenditures of District money for travel expenses of spouses of District officials or employees were noted. No travel advances to District officials or employees were noted.
- 07-II-E <u>Business Transactions</u> No business transactions between the District and District officials or employees were noted.
- O7-II-F Bond Coverage Surety bond coverage of District officials and employees is in accordance with statutory provisions. The amount of coverage should be reviewed annually to insure that the coverage is adequate for current operations.

Schedule of Findings

Year ended June 30, 2007

# Part II: Other Findings Related to Required Statutory Reporting: (continued):

- 07-II-G Board Minutes No transactions requiring Board approval which had not been approved by the Board were noted.
- O7-II-H Deposits and Investments No instances of noncompliance with the deposit and investment provisions of Chapter 12B and Chapter 12C of the Code of Iowa and the District's investment policy were noted.
- 07-II-I Certified Annual Report The Certified Annual Report was filed with the Department of Education timely and we noted no significant deficiencies in the amounts reported.
- 07-II-J Certified Enrollment No variances in the basic enrollment data certified to the Department of Education were noted.